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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated a plan to develop the existing minor airports in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether a feasibility study about the potential of Gannavaram and Madhurpudi airports in Andhra Pradesh has been conducted by the DGCA;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of the plans for commercial optimisation of these airports?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a)& (b) Development of existing airports is a continuous process based on traffic requirements.

(c) & (d) Gannavaram (Vijayawada) and Madhupudi (Rajamundry)airports of AAI are already operational for B/737 and ATRtype of aircraft respectively in fair weather conditions.

(e) In absence of scheduled flights to these airports, plans for commercial optimizations has not been carried out.